

I hereby certify that this paper (along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being transmitted via the Office electronic filing system in accordance with § 1.6(a)(4).

Dated: April 10, 2008  
Electronic Signature for Julie J. Hong: /Julie J. Hong/

Docket No.: 30880/30011B  
(PATENT)

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of:  
Song Luo et al.

Patent No.: 7,132,240

Application No.: 10/620,924

Confirmation No.: 9378

Filed: July 16, 2003

Art Unit: 1637

For: USE OF METHYLATED NUCLEIC ACID  
SEGMENTS FOR ISOLATING  
CENTROMERE DNA

Examiner: K. R. Horlick

**NOTIFICATION OF LOSS OF ENTITLEMENT TO SMALL ENTITY STATUS**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby notify the Patent and Trademark Office that the above-identified application is not entitled to small entity status, and that the claim for small entity status filed by the Applicant is hereby withdrawn. At the time of filing of this application, this application was entitled to small entity status. Applicants have discovered that through error, and without fraudulent intent or intent to deceive the Patent Office, the Office was not notified of a subsequent loss of entitlement to small entity status.

Applicants believe that no deficiencies are owed in the above-identified application, resulting from the previous payment of small entity fees. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee necessary in view of the loss of entitlement to

Application No.: 10/620,924

Docket No.: 30880/30011B

small entity status to Deposit Account No. 13-2855.

Dated: April 10, 2008

Respectfully submitted,

Electronic signature: /Julie J. Hong/

Julie J. Hong

Registration No.: 56,961

MARSHALL, GERSTEIN & BORUN LLP

233 S. Wacker Drive, Suite 6300

Sears Tower

Chicago, Illinois 60606-6357

(312) 474-6300